

Tabernacle Tuesday Morning - 10 o'clock

Dear Friend,

I write a few lines in meeting to tell you how we are getting on - The meeting is a large & good one - grand & full - the Tabernacle is full - I am going with the meeting opened at 10 - Garrison in the church the House full of not the drift wood of New York - but - the abolitionists & friends from the country & from a distance mixed with some little of the baser sort - & some of the reverend clergy & their abettors - Wendell's absence is felt deeply - & many persons are much disappointed - but they do not complain as they understood him to be too ill to be here - Thomasine has not come - he is said to be sick - Garrison opened the meeting well - & welcomed a congratulation - & Benson for prayer afforded - & not improved - then Francis Jackson read the Treasurer's report - well & it was a good & respectable one - then Edmund read "extracts" from the annual report - & he read it admirably & did it great justice - for the occasion it was all that was wanted - at the close it was applauded & hissed - then a long letter was read from David Lee Child - giving up the whips & sending 8 pages of strong ~~language~~ well written indignation & denunciation with many points of geography & congratulation to his "best loved & truest friends" - Then a letter

from Giddings which I never had
extracted with as much quickness
of thought as good sense - He thought it
first that he should be present but if so
could not think of speaking in the presence
of such men as Garrison & Phillips - & finally
he wished them to be heard - he could not
crowd off ~~facts~~ the old "allusion friends" of
the slave - He does not mention the Fugitive
meeting - but is true for the slave -
a second not mentions business in the House
which will keep him at hissing tone -
there letters disposed of Garrison who since
Charles O'Connell who is now speaking
very well - he spoke of himself as unable
to stand in Wendell's place - but he
was the nearest man - & by the way
of Anti-Slavery warfare - it was his to
bring into the place where a friend had
fallen & showing underrate he would
fight his best - he has just got stronger
& has made a good speech - with great applause
Garrison has just risen amid great applause &
announced himself a Garrison Abolitionist. & is young
on - on the platform are Loring - Gay - Jackson
Van Rensselaer - John Pierpont - Rev. Trask
Moody - Stephen & Abby Kelly & ~~Walter~~ Johnson
hosts of reporters & multitudes of people I don't
know - B. C. Hathaway is here - it looks well
so far to day - let me tell how we got
here & where we are - we had a good time

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as far as Norwich - & there we
waited two hours for the boat - The
New York train ran over a cow
which delayed them - we tried
Daniel Webster in our train - he
looked as as a show would be -
we were between two & three
hours crossing - & it was very rough
shaking and very sick - & the boat
so dirty & badly ventilated that
there was no comfort in it - we
were too sick to eat when we

Wright - so went on to New
York - with our - it was better
for us however - 30 miles from
New York - Edmund mixed some poor gin -
girlfriend but we didn't want it -
we arrived at 10 o'clock - at Brooklyn
where we were due at 7. - on
the Long Island side we found
Gibney & James Gibbons waiting
for us & had been all the
evening - we did not get our
Baggage through until late

Nov 11. We found that we were
to stay at James's - he had taken
the responsibility of asking Sydney to
get two lodgings for us - & we got them
at 12 & 10 and ten. & rest - & a nice
room - they are 2 miles from Broadway
& out of reach of the noises I believe
but we think they do in the day - & you
are very well - Mrs. Child is off of
Boston - Mrs. Merriam is here

Ally & Stephen made their entry after the
people were assembled & directly

proceeded to the platform &
took their seats & sat down in
the presence of our people - there
is humming & dressed - & looking much
& is doing herself great good
for as Colpo - goes - ~~she~~
Heath & her - I can ~~think~~
no more to day - tomorrow
we shall write again ~~and~~
Emma send this out to my mother
candidly - & let Ann know as soon
as we decide when we shall return

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